

Draft scope for LATF consideration (9/14/12)

The City Council created the Lake Austin Task Force (LATF) on May 24, 2012 in response to resolutions of both the Waterfront Planning Advisory Board and the Parks and Recreation Board. The LATF has been tasked to “develop recommendations for future regulatory controls and enforcement mechanisms on and relevant to Lake Austin to promote, preserve, and protect this critical public asset” (Ordinance No. 20120524-083) and will expire either upon completion of its assigned task or one year after the effective date.

As provided for by the enabling ordinance, the scope of work for the Task Force will be to consider and make recommendations regarding:

- Development ~~in and along~~that impacts Lake Austin ~~within 500 feet of the shoreline~~watershed. This will include any and all temporary and permanent structures, including homes, businesses, docks, marinas, and public facilities.
- Lake use and management, including; recreational, commercial, and public use on and adjacent to the lake.
- Protection of the environment within the Lake Austin watershed, including but not limited to; water quality, shoreline erosion, and invasive flora and fauna.
- Processes, policies, and coordination between entities with jurisdiction over Lake Austin, including, but not limited to; the City of Austin, LCRA, and Texas Parks and Wildlife.

Review by the LATF and any subsequent recommendations will be intended to provide use and management of the lake and shoreline that is protective of public safety, the environment, property rights, and provides for the use and enjoyment of Lake Austin by all ~~citizens of Austin.~~